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HOLD FOR OPENING OF BUSINESS

1. DEPARTMENT HAS NO OBJECTION TO EXCHANGE OF VIEWS BY
POLADS ON NUCLEAR FREE ZONES AND NON-USE ASSURANCES. DIS-
CUSSION OF THESE SUBJECTS SHOULD DISCLOSE ALLIED ATTITUDES
WHICH WILL BE OF CONSIDERABLE INTEREST TO THE U.S. MISSION
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SHOULD NOT COMMENT ON SUBSTANCE OF NEGATIVE ASSURANCES IN

DUTCH PAPER (REF A). MISSION SHOULD NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT AS ANY DECISION ON NEGATIVES ASSURANCES WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE OF CONCERN TO NATO, WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING FULL ELABORATION OF ALLIED VIEWS ON THE BASIS OF WHICH THE U.S. CAN DEVELOP COMMENTS.

2. FYI.. REVIEW OF U.S. POLICY ON NON-USE ASSURANCES IS UNDERWAY IN PREPARATION FOR NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE. WE WOULD NOT BE IN POSITION TO PRESENT VIEWS TO POLADS UNTIL

REVIEW COMPLETED AND U.S. POSITION ON HANDLING SECURITY ASSURANCES QUESTION AT REVCON ESTABLISHED. THEREFORE WE MAY NOT BE IN POSITION TO CONTRIBUTE SUBSTANTIVELY TO POLADS EXAMINATION OF NON-USE QUESTION BEFORE OPENING OF REVCON. END FYI.

3. IN DISCUSSING NFZ, MISSION MAY DRAW ON REF B FOR BASIC EXPOSITION OF U.S. POSITION. FYI. NFZS ARE NOT EXPECTED TO FIGURE STRONGLY IN THE FORTHCOMING NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE. END FYI. MISSION SHOULD ALSO NOTE REF C THAT THE CCD WILL BE UNDERTAKING A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF NFZS THIS SUMMER.

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